

PATENT

Customer No. 22,852

Attorney Docket No. 06530.0008-04



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Charles R. SLATER) Group Art Unit: Unassigned
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Application No.: 10/626,599) Examiner: Unassigned
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Filed: July 25, 2003)
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For: BIPOLAR ENDOSCOPIC SURGICAL)
SCISSOR BLADES AND INSTRUMENT)
INCORPORATING THE SAME)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a Preliminary Amendment. The additional claims fees are calculated below:

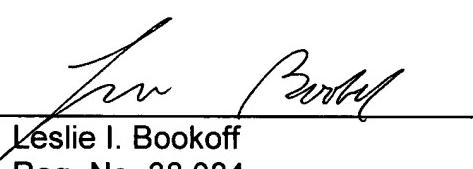
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	82	-	20	62	x \$ 18	\$ 1116.00
Indep.	4	-	3	1	x \$ 86	\$ 86.00
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					Subtotal	\$ 1202.00
					Reduction by ½ if small entity	-
					TOTAL	\$ 1202.00

A check for \$1202.00 to cover the cost of the additional claims rendered by this Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Dated: October 20, 2003

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment section of this paper.

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RE: 10/626,599
RE: FOR AMENDMENT

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RE: PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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